



2026 hfnz CONFERENCE

ITINERARY

Welcome to the 2026 HFNZ Conference. This year the Conference will be split into two parts – Auckland with all the business, followed by a trip to South Australia to explore their dairy industry, wineries, and tourist attractions. Join us in June 2026 to hop across the ditch, make new friends and rekindle old acquaintances and learn about the Australian dairy industry.

THE BUSINESS END

Auckland, NZ

Monday 22 June 2026 (D)

The Auckland leg of the Conference will be based at the Sudima Hotel Auckland Airport. The Board will meet on the Sunday 21st and Monday 22nd June, with member registration from mid-afternoon on the 22nd. The opening dinner will take place this evening with the 2026 HFNZ Semex Awards and the Black & White Youth Auction.

Accommodation – Sudima Hotel Auckland Airport

- 3:00pm – Members registration
- 5:00pm – HFNZ/Semex Awards, Opening dinner followed by the Black & White Youth Auction

Tuesday 23 June 2026 (BD)

The Annual General Meeting will take place on Tuesday 23 June 2026, with the alternative trip taking in the Manawa Bay Shopping Centre. The afternoon will see the group visit the Karaka Sale Yards and other Auckland attractions on route,

before returning to the hotel for dinner and the 2026 HFNZ Annual Awards.

Accommodation – Sudima Hotel Auckland Airport

- 9:00am – HFNZ Annual General Meeting or
- 9:00am – An alternative trip to explore Manawa Bay Shopping Mall
- 12:30pm – Depart hotel for visit to Karaka Sale Yards and Auckland attractions
- 6.30pm – Dinner and the HFNZ Annual Awards

AUSTRALIAN TOUR

Adelaide, South Australia

Wednesday 24 June 2026 (BL)

The group will depart Auckland for Adelaide. On arrival the group will enjoy a sightseeing tour of the city, followed by an Adelaide Central Market tour and lunch. After checking into the hotel, the remainder of the day/evening is free to explore the city of Adelaide and checkout the array of dining options.

Accommodation: Peppers Weymouth

- Depart Auckland for Adelaide
- On arrival in Adelaide enjoy a sightseeing tour of the city en route to the hotel, including lunch and a visit to the Adelaide Markets.
- A free evening to enjoy the sights and culinary delights of Adelaide

Thursday 25 June 2026 (BLD)

This morning the group will depart Adelaide for the Barossa Valley, visiting Seppeltsfield Winery for a History tour and wine tasting. Lunch will be on route to Mason Farms, Jervois Holsteins near Ashville, before returning to Murray Bridge for the night, and enjoying dinner on the Murray River.

Accommodation – Bridgeport Hotel, Murray Bridge

- Travel through the Barossa Valley and touring the Seppeltsfield Winery, including wine tasting
- Lunch on route to Ashville
- On farm visit to Jervois Holsteins
- Dinner Murray River Cruise

Friday 26 June 2026 (B)

Today the group will travel from Murray Bridge to Mount Jagged visiting Minbee Farm Holsteins. From there the group will travel to Victor Harbour for a free afternoon to enjoy the local area.

Accommodation – Victor Harbour Hotel

- Visit to Minbee Farm Holsteins, Mount Jagged
- Free time to explore Victor Harbour
- Dinner own care

Saturday 27 June 2026 (BLD)

Holstein Australia President Gino Pacitti and his family will host the group today, providing the opportunity to view the Misty Brae Holsteins herd. The group will then find lunch on route before returning to Victor Harbour, taking a Horse-drawn carriage ride, and exploring Granite Island.

Accommodation – Victor Harbour Hotel

- Visit to Misty Brae Holsteins, Hindmarsh Tiers.
- Followed by Lunch on route
- Victor Harbour Horse Drawn Tramway and visit to Granite Island
- Dinner with local breeders

Sunday 28 June 2026 (BLD)

Travelling back towards Adelaide the group will visit two Holstein herds and the German village of Hahndorf. Once back in Adelaide accommodation and the farewell dinner will be at the picturesque beach of Glenelg.

Accommodation; Stamford Grand, Glenelg

- Travel to Rockwella Holsteins, Willow Creek
- Then on to Windy Vale Holsteins and the Fleurieu Milk Company
- Lunch in Hahndorf - German pub, and time to explore
- Farewell dinner at Glenelg

Monday 29 June 2026 (B)

Depart Adelaide for Auckland.

There is an option to stay on and enjoy further time in Australia. Please let us know if you require this option.

Inclusions:

- All Auckland events, accommodation (based on double/twin), breakfasts, and dinners
- Return economy airfares from Auckland to Adelaide with Air NZ (Please note due to the plane size, no premium economy or business class seats are available)
- All accommodation based on a double or twin share, and travel costs within Australia. Single rooms for the Australian trip are available for an additional NZ\$550.00
- A total of 7 nights' accommodation, 7 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 5 dinners
- All sightseeing, entrance fees, and farm visits within Australia
- Either a Conference shirt or jacket or bag will be provided
- Airpoints can be earned on flights

Exclusions:

- Domestic airfares, but these can be booked in conjunction with the international flight through the travel agent
- Travel Insurance and visa's if required, are not included, but can be organised through the travel agent
- Use of airpoints is not permitted for group travel
- Personal expenses, including alcohol, phone cost etc
- Gratuities
- Car parking in Auckland, while on the Australian tour

Please note - this itinerary is based on 40 delegates travelling to Australia and is subject to changes due to lower numbers, unavailability, unforeseen circumstances, or currency fluctuations.

Additional accommodation can be booked in Auckland on request.